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NKX2.2 IN VENTRAL NEURON GENERATION

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PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

On March 13, 2006, a Final Office Action was issued in connection with the subject application. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for filing the appeal brief. The required fee for a three-month extension of time for a small entity is FIVE HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00) and a check for this amount is enclosed. A Notice of Appeal is now due September 13, 2006. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today and the Request For Continued Examination (RCE) being filed concurrently herewith in lieu of a Notice of Appeal is timely filed.

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No fee, other than the enclosed \$510.00 extension of time fee, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. However, if any additional fee is required, authorization is given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

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